



## Ripley Town Council

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### **MINUTES of October 26<sup>th</sup> 2021 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

of the Meeting of Ripley Town Council to be held at **7.00pm** on  
**October 26<sup>th</sup> 2021** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs: R Ashton, S Carter, Ms. L Cox, R Emmas-Williams (Chair), I Fisher, S Freeborn, Mrs J Gregory, T Holmes, P Lobley, M Murray, T Spencer, N Weaving, D Williams, S Williams, and M Wilson.

Also: L McCormick (Town Clerk), and one member of the Press

#### **AGENDA**

**261021/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs: M Allwood, T Harper, M Jones, P Moss and C Worth (all personal reasons) - Noted

**261021/2. Variation of Order of Business** - None required

**261021/3. Declaration of Members Interests**

Councillor R Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15 as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting.

Councillor S Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15, 16 and 17 as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting.

Councillor P Lobley declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15 as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting.

Councillor M Murray declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15 as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting.

Councillor T Spencer declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15 as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting.

**261021/4. Public Speaking** – No public speaking

**261021/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup> 2021** (previously circulated electronically)

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**261021/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and accept any recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically)

**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**261021/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on October 1<sup>st</sup> and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein. (As previously circulated)**

**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**261021/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting October 5<sup>th</sup> 2021 and accept any recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).**

**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**261021/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Allotment Committee Meeting October 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 and accept any recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).**

**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**261021/10. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance & Management Committee Meeting October 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).**

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

**261021/11. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. None required**

**261021/12. Mayor Announcements:**

Myself and my Consort have attended the following events since the last meeting:

23<sup>rd</sup> September I presented a book from Ripley Morris to the Library at Ripley.

29<sup>th</sup> September we attended a presentation to Gary Wain from Carr Wood who was retiring from Groundwork

4<sup>th</sup> October invited to attend a fund Raiser by the Ripley Hospital League of Friends at Ripley's fish and chip shop

6<sup>th</sup> October we visited the Greenhillocks Fellowship meeting

17<sup>th</sup> October attended a 'Service of Light' at All Saints church, to remember loved ones who have died recently

19<sup>th</sup> October we attended the 65<sup>th</sup> Fair dinner with members from the showman's Guild

20<sup>th</sup> October I was privileged to Officially open the 770<sup>th</sup> Ripley Royal Charter Fair 2021

23<sup>rd</sup> October invited to attend an open day and Officially open the Benefit Martial Arts and Fitness School on Butterley Hill, Ripley

**261021/13. Town Clerk announcements:**

**a) Volunteers for Christmas events in Ripley Town Centre**

Cllrs: Ms L Cox, I Fisher, T Holmes, P Lobley, M Murray, N Weaving, D Williams, and M Wilson to confirm times and dates to attend - Notes

**b) Certificate of Merit Winner, Martine Roebuck from Ripley Rogue Runners, has accepted the award – Noted and the certificate will be presented at the Civic Service - Noted**

**c) 2021 Civic Service – November 21st 2021 - Noted**

**261021/14. Discuss Anti-Social Behaviour in Ripley Town Centre**

**RESOLVED** to invite the police to attend the November Full Council meeting to discuss this matter

**261021/15. To report on the transfer of Ripley Recreation Ground Charity to Ripley Town Council on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

It was reported that after transferring their land to the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity, AVBC have offered to transfer ownership of all the land and buildings on the recreation ground to Ripley Town Council - as Custodian Trustees of the Charity - for a consideration of £1. The Charity would become the freeholder of the land. November 5th 2021 is the target date for the transfer.

**RESOLVED** to accept the offer subject to obtaining legal advice

It was also reported that in addition to utilities, there are a number of contractors that carry out routine maintenance of the buildings. The Charity would be responsible for all costs from the date of the handover. This would be impossible until the Charity has a bank account and signatories agreed.

**RESOLVED** that the council agrees for the time being to pay all costs associated with the building and reclaim them from GPSP on a monthly.

**261021/16. Discuss Ripley Town Council delegating powers to an appointed Committee for the Ripley Recreation Charity**

**RESOLVED** to appoint a committee of five Council members with the Town Clerk as secretary. This committee will have delegated powers to oversee the day to day running of the Charity. Four members from the controlling group Cllrs: I Fisher, S Freeborn, T Holmes, and P Lobley, and one from the opposing group (to named) were appointed to this committee. Minutes from this Committee will be received at a following full council meeting.

**261021/17. To grant Ripley Recreation Ground charity a grant of £1000.00 to set up a bank account**

**RESOLVED** to grant the Charity £1000.00 as a start-up and for cash flow and set up a bank account with the Committee members appointed as in 16 above to be cheque signatories.

**261021/18. Discuss the 6-month (April – September 2021) Impact Report from Citizens Advice** (as previously circulated)

Report Noted and the Council members should be proud of what the library sessions are achieving.

**261021/19. Discuss the 2021 Ripley Remembrance Parade and Service**

Cllr Fisher reported that he is pleased to report that Ripley Town Council are working with the Ripley Branch of the Royal British Legion for the Remembrance Parade and Service this year after several years of the Council not being allowed to assist.

**261021/20. Discuss Quarterly Finance Report** (as previously circulated)

**RESOLVED** to accept the Finance Report

**261021/21. Planning Applications** – previously circulated

**261021/22. Exclusion of the Press and Public** – Not required

**261021/23. Discuss Staff Working Hours**

**RESOLVED** to agree that the joint staff hours increase by five hours per week until the end of 2021.

**261021/24. Meeting Closed at 7.33pm**

**Date for the Next Full Council Monthly Meeting November 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7.00 pm.**

**RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

**BHIB AWARD WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2020  
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BHIB HIGHLY COMMENDED WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2019**